formation of this organization 50 years ago. On this Saturday, June 29, 1996, the fire company will be hosting an open house to commemorate this milestone. Not only will this offer the residents around Oak Hill and Durham a chance to enjoy themselves at the planned festivities, but it will provide the perfect opportunity for them to extend their gratitude to this organization and its members, both past and present.

Mr. Speaker, I have always been one to judge people by how much they give back to their community. On that scale, the members of the Oak Hill-Durham Fire Co., are great Americans. I am truly proud of this organization because it typifies the spirit of voluntarism which has been such a central part of American life. To that end, it is with a sense of pride, Mr. Speaker, that I ask all members of the House to join me in paying tribute to the Oak Hill-Durham Fire Co., on the occasion of their 50th anniversary.

DR. ALAN SCHRIESHEIM RETIRES FROM ARGONNE NATIONAL LAB-ORATORY

HON. HARRIS W. FAWELL

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. FAWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Dr. Alan Schriescheim, director and chief executive officer of Argonne National Laboratory. Our Nation's first national laboratory, Argonne was founded in 1946, and celebrates its 50th anniversary of service to our Nation this year.

Under Dr. Schriesheim's leadership, Argonne has grown to become a world-renowned research center with more than 200 major projects in progress. Argonne today employs more than 4,000 people on its main 1,700-acre site about 25 miles southwest of Chicago, and at Argonne-West in Idaho. Managed by the University of Chicago for the U.S. Department of Energy, Argonne is one of the nine multi-program national laboratories, the only one in the Midwest. This national asset is a focus of collaborative research, teaming the best and brightest from America's universities, corporations, and Federal laboratories in both short-term and long-term programs designed to ensure a better life for our children and their children into the 21st century.

Alan began his career with Argonne in 1983 after long and distinguished service at Exxon Research, thus becoming the first director of a nonweapons national laboratory to be recruited from industry. As a result of his management talent and strong commitment to develop and initiate strategic programs, the laboratory expanded rapidly, becoming the home of the Advanced Photon Source, a \$1 billion research facility formally dedicated last month that will probe the biological and material properties of matter with far greater precision than ever before.

Other Argonne programs initiated during Alan's tenure span the full range of science—from developing biological microchips and sequencing the human genome in a cooperative program with the Englehardt Institute of Molecular Biology in Moscow, to establishing a virtual-reality advanced parallel-processing computer center. He also led Argonne in build-

ing the largest superconductivity program in America's national laboratory system, forming working relationships with more than 50 corporations and universities. The project led to the creation of an independent corporation, Illinois Superconductor Corp., which raised \$14 million in its initial stock offering.

While developing new programs, Alan ensured Argonne remained a world-class center of nuclear engineering, including its design and development of the Integral Fast Reactor, an inherently safe power station that emits no air pollution, produces little waste, consumes waste from other nuclear plants, and shuts itself down if anything goes wrong.

Alan's deep dedication to motivating young Americans to consider careers in science is nowhere better evidenced than by his collaboration with television science journalist Bill Kurtis in initiating the Science Explorers Program, which exposes thousands of teachers and students to science and math through study guides for Kurtis' PBS science program, "The New Explorers."

Alan holds a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn Polytechnic University in New York, a Ph.D. in chemistry from Pennsylvania State University, and several honorary degrees. He is the author or coauthor of numerous scientific articles, holds 22 U.S. patents, and is a member of the board and fellow of the American Association for the advancement of Science and a member of the National Academy of Engineering. He chaired the National Academy of Engineering Study of Foreign participation in U.S. Research and Development, and is a member of the National Research Council's panel on dual-use technologies in the former Soviet Union and other academic and Government panels.

In his capacity as chief executive of one of America's preeminent research centers, Alan has appeared many times before committees of the House to offer us his guidance and counsel on important national issues bearing on science and technology. As such, he has helped shape the scientific foundation on which this Nation will enter the 21st century.

Mr. Speaker, Alan's management style, philosophy, intelligence, and leadership are paying huge dividends today and will continue to do so for years to come. After many years of distinguished and superior service to the Argonne National Laboratory and the Nation, I wish Alan all the accolades he so rightfully deserves. May his years of retirement bring all the best to Alan, his wife Beatrice, their two children, and their five grandchildren.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. WILLIAM J. MARTINI

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. MARTINI. Mr. Speaker, on June 19, 1996, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote No. 250. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on the bill.

A MEMORIAL TO BOB STOUT

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Bob Stout, a dear friend and a community leader who has left us saddened by his death but richer for having known him. We give thanks for his long service to his neighborhood, the city of Norwood, the State of Ohio and his beloved country.

Mr. Stout's involvement with his community was extensive. He kept close track of needy individuals and families in his community of Norwood, helped them where he could, and solicited help from others where necessary. He loved helping kids and was active with the Allison Street Elementary School where he helped create the Caught Being Good program. This effective program rewards students for academic achievement and service to the community with prizes and parties. He was also known for his empathy and caring for the elderly, and for his prowess at fundraising for good causes.

His efforts stemmed from a deep belief in the human spirit and his conviction that if given the opportunity people will seize it and help themselves. Robert Stout, Jr., said of his father, "He was a very difficult person to figure out: politically conservative but when it came to the poor and needy he was the most liberal minded person."

Mr. Stout was active in the Norwood Republican Party, served on the Hamilton County Republican Board of Directors and Board of Elections, and helped countless candidates.

Mr. Stout also served his country in the Korean war and upon returning home earned a degree in accounting from Miami University, then went on to be an accountant with the U.S. Playing Card Co.

Dr. Joanne Sizoo, minister at Norwood Presbyterian Church, put it well when she said, "Bob's life was really a sermon. He really did live what he believed. The proof of our love for Bob Stout is not whether we sit here today, but whether we carry on the work of caring for the poor without Bob to urge us on and hold us accountable."

As is the case with so many people whose lives he touched, I feel blessed to have known him and to have learned from him.

DEATH OF THE HONORABLE BILL EMERSON

SPEECH OF

HON. JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 25, 1996

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague from Missouri, Mr. CLAY, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, this week the people of Missouri, the House of Representatives, and the United States lost a great man—and I lost a friend.

I want to extend my condolences to his daughters and his wife Jo Ann and thank them for sharing BILL with us.

BILL EMERSON's loss will be sorely felt in the Chambers of this House which he so loved.